

CRAIG RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 16, 2017

Call the Meeting to Order

John Forgay called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Approval of Agenda

Alan Webber made a motion to approve the Agenda. Rod Kowach seconded. Motion passed. (5:0)

Approval of Minutes

Webber moved to approve the October 19, 2017 minutes as presented. Tony Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (5:0)

Approval of Bills

Kowach moved to approve the bills for November 16, 2017 as presented (Fire Department bills in the amount of \$27,485.50, Haz-Mat bills in the amount of \$0.00 and Pension bills of \$0.00) for a total of \$27,485.50. Maneotis seconded. Motion passed. (5:0)

Purchase Orders

PO # 2017-002 - Chief Hume said that this purchase order is for the new Rookie gear. It includes the new lightweight gear. It has been discussed in the past, but there is much better pricing if purchased as a set. Nichols made a motion to approve PO# 2017-002 for a total of \$11,510.00. Webber seconded. Motion passed. (5:0)

Budget Review

Chris Nichols – A month and a half to go we have received 98% of budgeted revenue. We are at 86.9% of our budgeted expenses in Admin, 66.1% for Operations, and 89.3% of Capital. There is roughly \$165,500 left in the budget until the end of the year. Projecting some carryover into capital reserve. Under the Pension folder there are some trade confirmations for review.

New Business

Resolution for Supplemental Budget – Webber read the resolution. Webber made a motion to adopt the supplemental budget in the amount of \$533,423.19 for the purchase of the new R1. Kowach seconded it. Motion passed (5:0)

Correspondence

Forgay read a letter of engagement from Marc James and Associates. Nichols felt the fee is fair and reasonable. The City Council has talked about rotating Auditors every five years. We should at least compare pricing in the next few years to be sure it is still a reasonable price. Nichols recommended we continue to use Marc James and Associates. Nichols made a motion to approve the letter of engagement. Webber seconded. Motion passed. (5:0)

Reports from the Chief –

We had 34 calls in October, 15 EMS, 19 Fire and 0 HazMat. PR is a never-ending stream of requests. Halloween was great, school visits have been good. Chief Hume showed a card from Eagle's Nest Preschool. He said there is enthusiasm all around the station. Our Firefighters shave a ton of positive *energy*. *Recruitment* is continuing. Firefighters are running seven candidates through physical agility tonight. The interviews are done, will be making a decision on who moves on soon. We did a HazMat assessment and inventoried trailers. We will be restocking. Had a meeting this week with *Routt County Emergency Manager and Steamboat Springs*

Fire about HazMat. Moffat County HazMat was formed in 2001 – 2002 and had agreements with Rio Blanco, Routt and Jackson Counties. Many people that were involved are gone. There was a conversation on weather we had a team anymore. Routt County Emergency Management is now aware of our capabilities, and how to request us. There is a mass casualty scheduled September 2018 Very positive, productive conversation. The Fleet is in good shape. A solution with the aerial batteries may be pending. We are working out a few bugs with the new Rescue. It is a phenomenal piece of equipment. Monday, about 3:00 there was a page for a cattle hauler on its side on Highway 13. The Driver was taken care of and we had 73 head of cattle to offload. Brad Ocker was on scene. There was a plan made to cut open the back of the trailer and get the cattle out. Moffat County brought the portable corral and the CART team, CDOT, Moffat County Road and Bridge, State Patrol, EMS, Sheriff's Office and neighbors all worked together. Stock trailers showed up to move cattle. The whole community responded. There were 73 head of cattle, and only 6 deceased.

Board Member Reports

Rod Kowach – It is amazing how well the rollover was handled. The PR is great, the parade, and bell ringing it's all great. Amazed at physical agility and at the new Rescue 1 last week. Thank you for all you do.

Chris Nichols – The truck work group did a great job. Halloween was fun with the munchkins. Busy call volume. Not hearing anything negative in the community.

Tony Maneotis — Good job on the truck. Very nice job. Not hearing anything bad. We have a great crew. Great job. Thank you.

Alan Webber — Repeat what has been said. The story about the cattle wreck makes you feel good. The Rescue is another part of our great district. All of the good equipment in the world is nothing though, without good people.

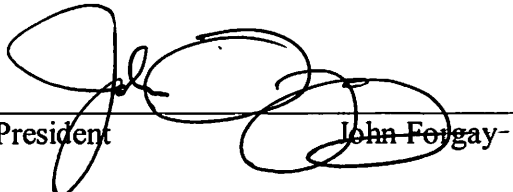
John Forgay — Not much to add. Tonya thank you for all you do with Christmas and everything. Appreciate everything that gets done, and the people that volunteer.

Audience Comments

Doug Slaight – I agree with K.C., it is time to get out of begging for firework money. Let someone else find the money. If it doesn't happen, it doesn't happen. The Fire Department should just set it up and shoot it.

Adjournment

Forgay entertained a motion to adjourn. Nichols moved. Webber seconded. Motion passed. (5:0) Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



President John Forgay-



Secretary/Treasurer Chris Nichols